THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (b) Yes, Sir. The following units of fertilizers Public Sector Undertakings are closed:

(i)	The Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd.	Talcher Korba Ramagundam Sindhri Gorakhpur
(ii)	Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd.	Durgapur Haldia Barauni
(iii)	Pyrites, Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd.	Amjhor Dehradun Saladipura

Government is exploring the possibilities of revival of the closed units of fertilizers Public Sector Undertakings. Since the matter is at an exploratory stage, the details are not worked out, in respect of the closed units.

The sick units of fertilizers Public Sector Undertakings are Fertilizer and Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT) and Madras Fertilizers Limited (MFL). In respect of sick unit of FACT, a financial restructuring package has been sanctioned, and the possibilities of revival of MFL are under examination.

(c) to (d) while, in the event of revival, these units will contribute to fertilizer supply, other measures, such as debottlenecking/expansion/Joint Ventures abroad/Modernization are expected to take care of future demand.

Malaria control in North Eastern Region

*182 SHRI SILVIUS CONDPAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMINLY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has established a wing at Guwahati to control/fight malaria epidemic affecting the lives of the people of North Eastern States every year resulting in loss of lives of poor villagers;

(b) what was the amount sanctioned during 2004-05 and 2005-06 for Assam to combat AIDS/ HIV cases; and

(c) what are the actions taken by the State Government in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS : (a) to (c) The Government of India has established the office of Regional Director at Guwahati, Assam for supervision and monitoring of national health programmes including malaria and other vector borne diseases. This office is exclusively for Assam. In addition, Regional Directors have been posted at Shillong in Meghalaya and Imphal in Manipur for supervision and monitoring in other North Eastern States.

In addition, Indian Council of Medical Research Institutions, viz., Field Unit of National Institute of Malaria Research at Sonapur, Assam and Regional Medical Research Centre at Dibrugarh, Assam, provide research inputs and technical guidance for prevention and control of malaria in N.E. States.

To combat AIDS/HIV cases, an amount of Rs. 1214.50 lakh and Rs. 915.60 lakh was sanctioned to the State in 2004-05 and 2005-06 respectively.

Malaria:

The following actions have been taken by the State Government:—

- The Government has issued instructions to all the District Health Authorities to take preventive and control measures in their respective jurisdictions including difficult and inaccessible areas.
- Staff deployment for enhancing surveillance of fever cases and their appropriate treatment, viz., mass fever spray through Mobile teams and mass radical treatment involving NGOs, Panchayati Raj Institutions, etc.
- Drug Distribution Centres (DDCs), Fever Treatment Depots (FTDs) for facilitating early case detection and prompt treatment have been activated.
- Instructions have been issued o the Deputy Commissioners to closely supervise and monitor Anti-Malarial activities by involving

entire district machinery. They have also been authorized to incur expenditure on account of mobility and other life-saving drugs from District Health Society (National Rural Health Mission).

- Collaboraton with Tea Gardens has also been emphasized.
- Implementing DDT Indoor Residual Spraying in all districts.
- Fogging operations with Malathion (Technical) in urban areas.
- Conducting mass impregnation of community owned bed nets.
- Carrying out mass awareness on prevention and control of malaria through print media by issuing handouts, advertisements and electronic media; miking, etc.
- Deputing Medical Teams including Para-Medical staff to the most affected Lakhimpur and Golaghat districts from Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh and Guwahati Medical College, Guwahati as well as from Hospitals of other Districts and Directorate of Health Services.
- Ensuring availabiliy of insecticides and Anti-Malarial drugs in all districts.

AIDS

As in the rest of the country, the National AIDS Control Programme is a centrally sponsored scheme, implemented through Assam State AIDS Control Society with the following components:—

- Preventive targeted interventions for high risk populations adopting a multi-pronged strategy including peer counseling and behaviour change communication. A total of 27 interventions were under implementation as on 31-03-2006 in the State of Assam.
- Preventive interventions for the general population through programmes for blood safety, voluntary counseling and testing services, Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission (PPTCT), Information Education and Communication (IEC). A total of 29 counseling Centers, 34 Blood Banks and 2 Blood Component Separation Units had been set up as on 31-03-2006 in Assam.
- Provision of low cost care ad support services by providing community care services, treatment of opportunistic infections, free

Antiretroviral Therapy in designated centers and prevention of occupational exposure. 2 Community Care Centers and 1 Drop In Center have been established. A total of 107 patients are receiving free ART in the ART Centre in the State.

- Collaborative efforts to promote inter-sectoral programme activities including work placed interventions and public-private partnerships.
- Build technical and managerial capacities for programme implementation through Surveillance, Training, Monitoring and Evaluation, Technical resource Groups, operational research and Programme management.

Security arrangements at stations

†*183 SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:
SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite bomb explosions in Mumbai no strict arrangements of security on various railways stations including the capital have been made;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that at the most important station of the capital, most of the door metal detectors are either out of order or not functioning properly;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to take steps to improve the security arrangements on various railway stations including those of the capitals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD): (a) No, Sir. 'Policing' being a State subject, registration of cases, their investigation, maintenance of law and order in Railway premises as well as on running trains and collection, collation and sharing of actionable intelligence are the statutory responsibility of the State Police. The State Police have a separate wing called the Government Railway Police (GRP) for dealing with all matters relating to law and order on the Railways. The State

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